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Biosecurity Australia Begins Assessment of U.S. Stone Fruit for Import

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Report Highlights:

In response to a market access request from the USA for the importation of stone fruit (nectarines, peaches and plums) from California and the Pacific North West States (Idaho, Oregon and Washington) of the USA, Biosecurity Australia has announced that it will consider this access request as a review of existing biosecurity policy, based on the policies for the importation of cherries from California, Idaho, Oregon and Washington and stone fruit from New Zealand.

Includes PSD Changes: No
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Biosecurity Australia (BA) has received a market access request from the USA for the importation of stone fruit (nectarines, peaches and plums) from California and the Pacific North West States (Idaho, Oregon and Washington) of the USA.

Biosecurity Australia will consider this access request as a review of existing biosecurity policy, based on the policies for the importation of cherry fruit from California, Idaho, Oregon and Washington and stone fruit from New Zealand into Australia. A draft policy report on the review of policy will be prepared and distributed to stakeholders for comment.

Documents relating to the policy extension for stone fruit from the U.S. are available on the Biosecurity Australia website at:

<http://www.daff.gov.au/content/output.cfm?ObjectID=5A136F99-DEC7-4EAE-9FF0B463EC7D7A82>.

To register as a stakeholder to the Stone Fruit IRA, please provide details to Biosecurity Australia's Technical and Administrative Services at:

<http://www.daff.gov.au/content/output.cfm?ObjectID=D2C48F86-BA1A-11A1-A2200060B0A03927&contType=outputs>.

Information on all IRAs and policy reviews being conducted by Biosecurity Australia is available on the Internet at www.biosecurityaustralia.gov.au.

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